

State of Washington

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: MARBLEMOUNT HATCHERY IMPROVEMENTS 13-030

Description of Proposal: At WDFW Marblemount Hatchery

POND 23

Pond 23 is a constructed natural earthen holding pond (6 to 8 feet deep) covered with bird predation netting. There is some aquatic vegetation in the pond. Pond 23 is connected to an adult holding pond and also to Clark Creek. An existing walkway and fish weir across pond 23 needs maintenance to prevent flood flows from overtopping the weir. To maintain this walkway and prevent further damages, the top of the pond 23 walkway will be raised 4 feet. A new 4 foot railing will be installed on top of the new walkway. Additionally two new sluice gate stop logs will be installed in the existing weir, with two attached step platform areas used to access the sluice gates.

JORDAN CREEK PIPELINE

This new pipeline replaces a leaking pipeline originating at the current Jordan Creek intake. This pipeline was originally installed in the 1940's. The new line (approximately 1,400 feet long) will be installed approximately 10 feet away from the old pipeline along the existing gravel access road. The new pipeline trench will be approximately 24 inches wide, and it will be placed into a trench 7 feet deep and 2.5 feet wide. This pipe line will tie into the existing Jordan Creek intake.

WELL #5

This well will replace the existing well #5 at the Marblemount Hatchery that has become damaged. The well will be approximately 100 feet deep and located next to the current location of the present well #5. The well piping will connect to the new Jordan Creek Pipeline.

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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: WDFW Marblemount Hatchery 8319 Fish Hatchery Rd., Marblemount, Washington, Skagit County; Section 18, Township 35 North, Range 11 East WM

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, state law¹ does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS). WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules.² We will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. This means we must receive your comments by **April 9, 2013**

Method of Comment:

The following procedures shall govern the method to comment on agency SEPA proposals. Comments received through these procedures are part of the official SEPA record for this proposal.

You can submit your comments any one of the following ways:

- Email to <u>SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov</u>
- Online at the WDFW SEPA website comment link at: http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/
- Fax to (360) 902-2946;
- Mail to the address below.

Responsible Official: Bob Zeigler

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Regulatory Services Section

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/ Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law. \(^1\)

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Bob Zeigler at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call him at (360) 902-2578.

DATE OF ISSUE:

March 25, 2013

SIGNATURE:

Bob Zeigler

Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)

2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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